Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 – 11 (canceled)

Claim 12 (original): A method of assisting a person with aphasia, apraxia or other

condition with similar effect to recover their speaking ability, said method comprising:

(a) pressing one end of a thin-walled hollow tube against the outside of the neck

in the voice box area of the throat of a speaking person and simultaneously pressing

the other end of said thin-walled hollow tube against the outside of the neck in the

voice box area of the throat of said person with aphasia, apraxia or other condition with

similar effect; and

(b) said speaking person vocalizing sounds while said thin-walled hollow tube is

pressed against the outside of the neck in the voice box area of the throat of said

speaking person and pressed against the outside neck in the voice box area of the

throat of said person with aphasia, apraxia or other condition with similar effect.

Claim 13 (original): The method recited in Claim 12 further comprising:

(c) said person with aphasia, apraxia or other condition with similar effect

attempting to vocalize the same sounds vocalized by said speaking person

simultaneously with said person vocalizing said sounds.

Claim 14 (original): The method recited in Claim 12 wherein said sounds are vowel

sounds.

Claim 15 (original): The method recited in Claim 12 wherein said sounds are

consonant sounds.

Claim 16 (original): The method recited in Claim 12 wherein said tube vibrates in the range from about 100 Hz to about 10 KHz.

Claim 17 (original): The method recited in Claim 12 wherein steps (a) and (b) are repeated.

Claim 18 (original): The method recited in Claim 13 wherein steps (a), (b) and (c) are repeated.